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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 3, 2004, please reconsider the present application in view of the remarks which follow.

Claims 1-4, 6, 9-16, 18-23, 25, 28-34, 36-41 and 43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) based on U.S. Patent no. 6,529,871 of Kanevsky ("Kanevsky"). Claims 5, 17, 24, 35 and 42 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on Kanevsky in view of Kremer (IEEE 0-7803-4122-8/97).